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AS OF COB FRIDAY, JUNE 17

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1. AS OF THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS TODAY (FRIDAY) I HAVE
HAD NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH BITSIOS SINCE THE TELEPHONE
CONVERSATION I HAD WITH HIM LATE THIS MORNING (REF A).
OF COURSE, BITSIOS AND CARAMANLIS HAVE ONLY HAD OUR
PROPOSAL FOR A LITTLE MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURSS AND
HAVE BEEN ALMOST FULLY OCCUPIED WITH THE VISIT HERE OF
ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS AND OTHER IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT
BUSINESS. IT IS STILL POSSIBLE THAT I WILL HEAR FROM
BITSIOS LATER THIS EVENING OR PERHAPS TOMORROW MORNING,
ALTHOUGH I WOULD EXPECT THAT IF I HAVE NOT HEARD BY
MIDDAY TOMORROW THEY WILL NOT TRY TO CONTACT ME AGAIN
BEFORE MONDAY.

2. WHEN I DO HEAR FROM BITSIOS AGAIN I WILL OF COURSE
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SEND AN IMMEDIATE REPORT OF WHAT HE SAYS. HOWEVER, IN
VIEW OF THE LATENESS OF THE HOUR AND THEIR FAILURE THUS FAR
TO RESPOND AFFIRMATIVELY TO OUR PROPOSAL, I WILL TELL BITSIOS --
UNLESS I AM OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED IN THE MEANTIME BY TELEGRAPHIC
OR TELEPHONIC MESSAGE -- THAT IT NOW APPEARS IMPRACTICABLE TO ME
TO RESUME OUR NEGOTIATIONS ACCOMPANIED BY A WASHINGTON-BASED
TEAM ON MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 20. I SHALL SUGGEST,

IF THEIR ANSWER TO OUR PORPOSAL IS AN AFFIRMATIVE ONE,
THAT WE AIM INSTEAD ON RESUMING THE TALKS ON WEDNESDAY
MORNING, JUNE 22, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE TIME TO GET OUR
WASHINGTON EXPERTS TO ATHENS. I SHALL ALSO SAY THAT DCM
MILLS, POL/MIL OFFICER DWORKEN AND I WOULD OF COURSE BE
PREPARED TO MEET WITH THEM ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY TO DISCUSS
A SCHEDULE AND PROGRAM OF WORK OR OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING
ARRANGEMENTS IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO SO.
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